Five Year Plan. The budget allocation for the two Programmes are given below:—

1	1987-88	1988-89
	{Rs. in lakhs)	
Cancer Control rrogrfmme . .	500	400
Mental Health Programme	2	20

(d) and (e) The budget provision made under Cancer Control Programme is mainly utilised for giving assistance to 9 Regional Cancer Centres assistance to Indian Cancer Scciry. Dombuy for a project undertaken by that Sociey and for giving assistance @ Rs. 12.00 lakhs to the institutions for setting up of Cobalt therapy units.

During the yea$_r$ 1987-88 a sum of Rs. 1.50 lakhs was released to the National Institute of Mental Health and Neuro Sciences Banglore under the Mental Health, Programme for coordination work; assistance to Schizophernia Research Foundation Task force; etc.

List of Essential Drugs

533. DR. (SHRIMATI) SAROJINI MAHISHI: Will the Ministe, of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to refer to the anwer to Unstarred Question 2629 given in the Rajya Sabha ^{on} 17th August, 1988 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Diazepam, Largecrl, Oxazepam, Mellaril and other similar drugs are extensively used for mental diseases;

(b) whether it is a fact the growth rate of these drugs in between 8 per cent to 14 per cent per annum;

(c) what are the names and designa tion of experts who declared Diazepam and similar other drugs as non-essential;

(d) whether these were experts from his Ministry or from outside institutions and what institute each of them represent-ed;

(e) what are the 'basis on which these drugs 'nave been treated as non-essential;

(f) whether his Ministry has drawn up a list of essential drugs; and

(g) if so, who drew the list and what are the names of those drugs?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRl MOTI LAL VORA1: (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No such infoimation is available with the Ministry o'f Health and Family Welfare.

(c) to (e) on the basis of representations received. Ministry of Health & F.W. in consultation with the Directo, General of Health Services recommended to the Department of Chemicals & Petrochemicals to consider exclusion of Diazepam and other tranquillizers from Category II of the Drug Prices Control Order, 1987

Cf) and (g) Government has not pie-pared any National list of essential drugs. However, the list of drugs considered to be essential fo$_r$ Primary Health Centres and sub-centres is under revision.

Supply of Anti T.B. Drugs to States

534. DR. (SHRIMATI) SAROJINI MAHISHI Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to - efer to the answer to Unstarred Question 4083 eiven in the Rajya Sabha on 31st August, 1988 and state:

(a) what are the basis and rational be- •hind purchasing anti-TB drugs and then supplv'ng them to the states and what are other National Programmes for which medicines are procure^ and supplied to the states;

(b) whether it is a fact that the purchases of anti-TB medicines is the largest and the purpose of Central purchases of these medicines is the money pay offs whicii these purchases involve;

(c) what is the rate at which Rifampicin capsules we-e procured during 1987-88 and 1988-89 and the extent of purchase from each company;

(d) when Rifampicin is available at Rs. 1800 per Kg. in the international market what are the reason- for not importing it; and

(e) wViat are the reasons for rion-consideration of this proposition and what steps have b«n taken to enquire into the whole matter?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRl MOTI LAL VORAV- (a) The scheme of supply of anti-TB drugs is one of the schemes approved bv the Platnnine Commission for implementation during 7th Plan Period ,is in the ea:lie$_r$ plan$_s$ so as to ensure availability of sufficient quantity of -T.B, drugs in all the Districts for treatment of all diagnosed TB cases.

IM Anti-TB drugs are purch used on DOS. & D. Rate Consract as per budgetary provision made available each year and following strictly the Govern ircnt Rules und regulations on the subject, As snch, the Question of money pay off coes not arise.

fc) The requisite information is as under:—

Name of the comnany	Rate per 100 Caps Rifampicin 150 mg.		Qua ntitv orderyj	
1987-88				
(il M's. Hindustan Antibiotic Ltd.. Pune	Rs.	534 00	65	hkh.
(ii) M/s. S.C.I. Lahorntoi ies, Calcutta	Rs.	534.00	15	likhs
19S8-89				
(i) M/s. Indian Drugs & Pharmaceuticals \ Ltd., Gurgaon	Rs. less	555.00 5%	80	lakh,,
(ii) M/s. Radicura Pharmaceuticals Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi	Rs. less	517-50 1.5%	20	likhs
(Hy M/s. Alpine Industries. New Delhi	Rs. less discount	520.00 1.5%	20	lakhs
(iv) M/s. Everest Chemicals Industries, Vatva	PvS. less discount	530.00 4%	*30*	l.ikhs

(d) and (e) The information regarding price of Rifampicin in international market is not available in this Ministry. Many a time import of raw-materials is discouraged to encourage local production.

Kelkar Committee's Recommendations

535. SHRI RAOOF VALIULLAH: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 4201 given in the Rajya Sabha on 31st Augest. 1988 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that recom mendations made by the Kelkar Committee to the effect that Category-I list would be excluded out of the list iecomniendej by t'ne committee is contained in Pai;, 4 Chipier III of the report;

(b) whether it is a fact that when the Kelkar Committee submitted its report, list of Category-I drugs was not available to the committee:

fc) when lus Ministry recommended category-I list based on the criteria given by the Depaitment of Chemicals;